

who escaped Japanese captivity, and he also was a resident of my home state of Arkansas. Now, from the band of 80 young flyers 73 Aprils ago, only two living Raiders remain: Staff Sergeant David Thatcher and LTC Richard Cole. Retired LTC Cole served as copilot to LTC Doolittle aboard aircraft number one, and he, along with the other Raiders, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. Retired Staff Sergeant David J. Thatcher served as the engineer-gunner to crew number seven, whose plane the "Raptured Duck," crashed just off the shores of the Chinese mainland. Sergeant Thatcher was awarded the Silver Star in 1942 for his bravery in caring for his injured crew members.

Earlier today, Congress conferred the Congressional Gold Medal on the Doolittle Raiders for their undeniable valor and sacrifice. These airmen and their extraordinary "30 Seconds over Tokyo" will never be forgotten. I am humbled to rise today to recognize these ordinary Americans that stepped up to attempt an exceptional mission. Col. Doolittle and his Raiders will fly forever in our hearts and minds as the best of American values of Duty, Honor, and Country. May God bless their memory and example to us all.

HONORING REVEREND HENRY HOLLEY'S LIFETIME OF SERVICE

HON. TOM PRICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Mr. TOM PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to speak in honor of a good friend, a committed patriot, and a great man of faith, Reverend Henry Holley. His remarkable lifetime of service is testament that putting your values to work can lead to real and demonstrable achievements in improving the lives of your fellow man. His tireless efforts to spread the word of God through the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association is worthy of our praise and deserving of our thanks.

Following his tour in the Pacific during World War II, Reverend Holley continued his service in the United States Marine Corps until 1966. Thereafter, he joined in common purpose with Reverend Graham. In due course, he was ordained into the Gospel ministry at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, located in Marietta.

His ministry with Reverend Graham has sent him around the world, from Taipei to Hong Kong, from Manila to Tokyo. Notably, Reverend Holley organized the Korean 1973 Crusade in Seoul. On the last day of the Crusade, there were over 3.2 million people present to hear Reverend Graham in person.

Reverend Holley and his devoted wife Bettie have made their home in Marietta, Georgia for the past 44 years. They are blessed to have three children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, in 2005, I had the real honor of introducing Reverend Holley before his opening prayer on the floor of this House. Now, I have the privilege of offering thanks, on behalf of all Americans, for his life's efforts. For today, in North Carolina, Reverend Holley is celebrating his well-deserved retirement. Reverend Holley has truly earned a reputation as living out the Gospel, not only in Georgia, but around the world.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT DAVID A. WELLS

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Mr. NEAL. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to recognize Chief Master Sergeant David A. Wells of Springfield, Massachusetts on the occasion his retirement from the United States Air Force Reserve. For the past 31 years, Chief Wells has proudly served his country with distinction and I am privileged to thank him on behalf of a grateful nation.

Chief Wells was raised and still resides in my hometown of Springfield. He graduated from the High School of Commerce in 1984 and entered the U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, GA shortly thereafter. During his time with the 187th Infantry Brigade out of Fort Devens, Massachusetts, he was deployed to various locations abroad including Iceland and Canada. By 1987, he had quickly moved through the ranks to become a Staff Sergeant.

In 1994, Chief Wells was transferred to the Air Force Reserve after the 187th Infantry Brigade was disbanded. He was first assigned to the 439th Engineering Squadron at Westover Air Reserve Base, only a few miles from his home in Springfield. Throughout his 11 years at Westover, he served in many roles as part of the Fire and Emergency Services Flight. In 2005, Chief Wells was assigned to the 22nd Air Force at Dobbins Air Reserve Base in Marietta, Georgia to become the Fire Emergency Deputy Fire Chief. In this position, he was charged with maintaining combat readiness for all Numbered Air Force Prime Base Engineer Emergency Force (BEEF) Fire Emergency units.

Chief Wells has also been deployed overseas to with U.S. operations in the Middle East. In 2002, he was deployed to Kuwait as part of Operation Southern Watch and then again in 2008 to Kirkuk, Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Chief Wells has been awarded numerous times for exemplary service over his career, including the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

While he may be retiring from the Air Force, Chief Wells will continue to serve his community as a captain in the Springfield Fire Department, as he has done for the past 26 years. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Chief Master Sergeant Wells for his dedication to this country and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2015 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

APRIL 20

3 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the 2020 Census, focusing on challenges facing the bureau for a modern, cost-effective survey.

SD-342

APRIL 21

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Peter Levine, of Maryland, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense.

SH-216

10 a.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings to examine opportunities and challenges for agriculture trade with Cuba.

SR-328A

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on building on the success of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) to deliver safe, efficient and effective public transportation services and projects.

SD-538

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet

To hold hearings to examine advancing telehealth through connectivity.

SR-253

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development

To hold hearings to examine improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department of State.

SD-419

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine improving accountability and oversight of juvenile justice grants.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities

To hold hearings to examine Department of Defense policy and programs to counter threats to the United States from terrorism and irregular warfare.

SR-222

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security

To hold hearings to examine Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization, focusing on certification and U.S.